

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 37** HLS 22RS 360

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action: **w/ SEN COMM AMD**

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Statewide and State Police		<b>Analyst:</b> Patrice Thomas
<b>Subject:</b> Concealed Handgun for School Protection Officers		

WEAPONS/HANDGUNS

RE1 INCREASE GF EX See Note

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Provides relative to the concealed carrying of firearms

Present law prohibits the carrying of a concealed firearm; provides for criminal penalties; provides for certain exceptions to the offense; provides that Louisiana residents who meet certain eligibility requirements may apply for and be issued a concealed handgun permit; and requires the person to possess a valid concealed handgun permit to carry a concealed handgun in the state. Proposed law creates an exception to this prohibition for school protection officers to carry concealed firearm on school campus and school bus. Proposed law authorizes certain active and retired teachers and school administrators to be designated as school protection officers and provides for training, duties, and responsibilities of school protection officers. Proposed law provides that school protection officers have a conceal carry permit and complete school protection officer training program that meets the minimum requirements of the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST). Proposed law creates the Louisiana Firearm Safety Awareness Act. Proposed law requires State Police to create a 2 hour online education course at no cost that includes specific topics. The course shall consist of 8 video segments at least 15 minutes per video. Proposed law requires State Police to maintain an online searchable database of firearm instructors and maintain a record of all persons designated as school protection officers.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>2026-27</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law is estimated to increase state expenditures by an indeterminable amount (assumed to be SGF) in the Office of State Police within the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to develop a 120-minute education course and maintain a searchable database of licensed handgun and firearm instructors. To develop the 120-minute online course, the department reports an indeterminable one-time expenditure for video production costs. Currently, State Police maintains a report listing all licensed firearm instructions on its website, but the listing does not have a searchable option. The department reports an indeterminable increase to develop a searchable option on the existing website and maintain records of all persons designated as school protection officers.

Proposed law may increase Local Fund expenditures by an indeterminable, but nominal, amount within local school districts that designate teachers or administrators (including retired) as school protection officers. The proposed law authorizes, but does not require, school districts to designate one or more current or retired school teachers or administrators as school protection officers. The expenditure impact will vary by school and depend upon if school districts choose to designate school protection officers and the number of designations. To the extent school districts designate school protection officers, there may be an increase in workload related to approving new designations, verifying compliance of existing designations, and sending notifications to the Office of State Police.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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